Street lighting in Trivandrum.

144. *MR. G. NILAKANTAN (*Nominated*): Will the Government be pleased to state the reasons, if any, for the delay in providing electric lights for all the streets in Trivandrum ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): The question is engaging the attention of Government.

Lady clerks in the Huzur Secretariat.

145. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing the following particulars :

(*a*) the number of lady clerks in the Huzur Secretariat ;

(*b*) the number of graduates and undergraduates amongst them, respectively ;

(*c*) the period of service of each of them ;

(*d*) the community to which each of them belongs ;

(*e*) the number of applications for appointment in the Secretariat, from ladies, still pending disposal ; and

(*f*) the names of such applicants and the caste to which each of such applicants belongs ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) :

(*a*) 5.

(*b*) Graduates 2, non-graduates 3.

(*c*) & (*d*) A statement is laid on the table.

(*e*) 14.

(*f*) A * statement is laid on the table.

The Night Soil Depot at Alleppey.

146. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*) ; Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the work in connection with the removal of the Alleppey Municipal night-soil depot is still continued ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative, why the work is suspended now ;

(*c*) the length of the road proposed to be constructed for the purpose ;

(*d*) whether any portion of the road is finished ; if so, how much ;

(*e*) the cost incurred for the portion already finished ;

(*f*) the estimated amount for the whole road ; and

(*g*) whether the romoval of the night-soil depot is to be effected in the near future ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) ; (*a*) No.

(*b*) The P. W. Department, which has been ordered to continue and finish the work commenced by the Municipality, has not yet been placed in possession of the necessary funds.

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* *Vide* Appendix IV.

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(*c*) 3,790 running feet.
(*d*) Yes : the first 490 running feet of the road.
(*e*) Rs. 382-10-15.
(*f*) Rs. 9,015.
(*g*) Yes : as soon as the road is completed.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*) : May I know why the necessary funds have not been placed in the hands of the P. W. D. for completing this road soon ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : It appears the Municipality has not got sufficient funds.

Satram at the Cape.

147 ***MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received representations from the Muslims as well as Muslim Associations of Nagercoil, urging the necessity of a *satram* for the use of the Muslims that visit Cape Comorin ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

MR N ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : May I know what action has been taken on the representations they have received ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Government have already made arrangements to put up a *satram* at the Cape, and no action was found necessary on the petition. It was therefore recorded.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) Is there any *satram* now at Cape which is open to all communities ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : No.

MR. K. R. ELENKATH (*Kalkulam I*) : Will the proposed *satram* be thrown open to all communities ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*) : Yes.

Room Rent for godowns.

148 ***MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB** (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have received complaints regarding the excessive room rent levied in the godowns at Valiatura Port as compared with the rates obtaining at Alleppey in regard to similar godowns there ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : Yes.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : What is the disparity in the rates obtaining at Alleppey and Trivandrum ports ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : There is no disparity in the rates. The only difference is that, while, at Alleppey, seven days are allowed free of rent, only two days are allowed free at Trivandrum.

MR. N. ABDUR RAHIMAN SAHIB (*Nominated*) : May I know why that distinction is maintained ?

MR. C. O. MADHAVAN (*Excise Commissioner*) : The rules were so framed originally. On receipt of complaints from merchants, Government ordered that they will wait for some time before amending the rules.

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